SBI branch in Shimla, Himachal Pradesh

*133. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to consider opening a branch of the State Bank of India at Jangla in Shimla District of Himachal Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) and (b) State Bank of India has reported that they have no proposal at present to open a branch of their bank at Jangla, District Shimla in Himachal Pradesh. A branch of UCO bank is, however, functioning at Jangla.

Upgradation of Airports in Andhra Pradesh

*134. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the amount earmarked and released for the upgradation of the airports in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) the expenditure incurred so far together with the details of the work carried out; and

(c) the funds contributed by the Centre and the State Government of Andhra Pradesh for the purpose, separately, so far?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN): (a) The amount earmarked for various sanctioned projects in Andhra Pradesh is Rs. 90.57 crores. The amount provided in the annual plan for 2001-2002 in respect of these projects is Rs. 9.24 crores.

(b) The expenditure incurred so far on these projects is Rs. 56.22 crores. At Hyderabad Airport, a new Terminal Building has been constructed and the existing Terminal Building modified, the runway has been improved with correction of Taxi-track profile, extension of

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